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SUBJECT: Transmission of USAREUR Prepared Paper on Berlin

From knowledge possessed by the writer and verified by appropriate authorities of this Headquarters, this office has been assured that the enclosures to reference Despatch were purely working papers prepared for a familiarization conference held shortly after the detention of a U.S. Army convoy by the Soviet authorities at the Babelsberg check point on November 14, 1958. These papers were not intended to be distributed and possibly were made available to the U.S. Mission, Berlin merely as a friendly gesture by the Chief of Staff, USCOB, since he was instrumental in the preparation of portions of these papers while serving as Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, USAREUR.

USAREUR has not prepared and distributed at any time any official views approximating these papers whatsoever. The only estimate made by this Headquarters is one prepared under date of December 17, 1958, by G-2, USAREUR, as a Special Intelligence Estimate No. 1-58, entitled "Soviet Intentions and Courses of Action with Respect to Berlin and the German Problem" (reference No. SIE 1-58, 17 December 58, GB 128-0915). This document was forwarded to the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Washington, D.C., and numerous other addressees and is presumably available to the Department of State.

It is suggested that the Department may wish to ignore the enclosures to the reference Despatch and file them where they may remain unsullied for posterity.

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